

**Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs
Bureau of Professional Licensing**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

September 29, 2017

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Location: G. Mennen Williams Building Auditorium
525 W. Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan

The hearing is held to receive public comments on the following administrative rules:

Bureau of Professional Licensing – General Rules – Public Health Code (ORR 2017-038)

Authority: MCL 333.16194; MCL 330.3101; MCL 445.2001; MCL 445.2011; MCL 445.2025, and MCL 445.2030

Overview: The proposed rules will change the renewal date for nursing licenses from April 1 to the date of issuance.

Board of Nursing - General Rules (ORR 2017- 037 LR)

Authority: MCL 333.16145 and 333.17221

Overview: The proposed changes include: Revising current provisions for when a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse applicant can sit for the NCLEX examination and whether the applicant must sit for a review course; requiring applicants with lapsed licenses to establish good moral character and submit fingerprints; requiring graduates of non-accredited programs to have their education certified by the CGFNS prior to sitting for the NCLEX examination; adding definitions for the nursing education section of the rule set; updating self-study content requirements; permitting more than one cohort in a 12 month period; clarifying reporting schedules to adjust submission dates for nursing education reports and self-studies; clarifying the definition of a minor program change; requiring approved nursing programs to be accredited by a board-approved nursing program accrediting agency; deleting durational program requirements for a practical nursing program; clarifying that didactic instruction includes theory instruction; requiring that faculty exception requests be submitted prior to course instruction; setting the maximum ratio of students to faculty members in clinical settings; requiring nursing education program's philosophy and conceptual framework to be the basis for the organization of the curriculum; requiring programs to maintain documentation of preceptor education and setting a maximum ratio of students to preceptor in clinical settings; updating adopted standards; permitting evaluation of programs for failure to submit timely reports or self-studies; adding the specialty certification for the clinical nurse specialist; requiring licensees to maintain evidence of compliance with certification requirements of credentialing organizations and continuing education requirements; adding continuing education activities for the clinical nurse specialist; requiring the board to annually determine categories and areas of need for nursing scholarship awards; and outlining procedures for distribution of nurse scholarship funds.

Board of Veterinary Medicine - General Rules (ORR 2017-019 LR)

Authority: MCL 333.16145 and MCL 333.18813.

Overview: The proposed changes include: clarifying examination requirements for a veterinarian; updating the name of the examination developer; clarifying the licensure by endorsement requirements; updating adopted standards; clarifying requirements for educational

limited licenses; clarifying the requirements for relicensure; and requiring that licensees obtain 45 hours of continuing education.

Veterinary Technician Licensure (ORR 2017-020 LR)

Authority: MCL 333.16145 and MCL 333.18813.

Overview: The proposed changes include: clarifying examination requirements for a veterinary technician; rescinding the rule pertaining eligibility requirements to take the national licensure examination; clarifying the licensure by endorsement requirements; updating adopted standards; clarifying requirements for educational limited licenses; clarifying the requirements for relicensure; requiring that licensees obtain 15 hours of continuing education; and adding modalities for accumulation of continuing education.

The rules will take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State, unless specified otherwise in the rules. Comments on the proposed rules may be presented in person at the public hearing. Written comments will also be accepted from date of publication until 5:00 p.m. on September 29, 2017, at the following address or e-mail address:

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Bureau of Professional Licensing– Boards and Committees Section
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Attention: Policy Analyst Email: BPL-BoardSupport@michigan.gov

A copy of the proposed rules may be obtained by contacting Board Support at (517) 241-7500 or the email address noted above. Electronic copies also may be obtained at the following link:

http://w3.lara.state.mi.us/orr/AdminCode.aspx?AdminCode=Department&Dpt=LR&Level_1=Bureau+of+Professional+Licensing

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